

For surely
I KNOW THE
plans
I have for
YOU,
says the
Lord...
TO GIVE YOU A
future
WITH
Hope.

Jeremiah 29:11, NRSV

Welcome to
Lauvers Mennonite Church

*“Our mission is to seek the lost and nourish the found
through the work of Jesus Christ.”*

December 3, 2017

WELCOME to our visitors today! Please join us in worshipping the Lord, and in experiencing His love, grace, truth and presence. God bless you, in this service and in the coming days!

Greeters: Nelson Martin Family

Sunday School: *Jesus Calls, Mark 1:14-20*

Worship Service

Nursery: Charlotte/Faith

Worship Leader: Nevin Glick

Worship in Song: Tonya's group

Offering

Message: Andrew Ranck

Last Sunday

Attendance: 133

Offering: \$2,730.02

Next Sunday

Greeters: George Martin Family

Message: Elvin Ranck, 'Joy'

Upcoming Sermon Schedule

December 17 – Eric Brubaker

December 24 – Elvin Ranck

December 31 – Mike Clark

Announcements

1. Remember the leadership team **in prayer** as they meet on Tuesday evening, December 5.
2. We would like to express our appreciation for all the encouraging words, wonderful meal, and gift for a smoker grill. It was a blessing to be able to serve you for ten years and we wish God's blessing on each of you as you continue forward in the way He has called you.
God Bless You, Glenn, Rhonda and family
3. The love offering on Wednesday evening for our widows was \$971.00; the appreciation gift for Glenn & Rhonda amounted to \$505.00. Thanks to each one who contributed to these offerings; may God bless you richly.
4. Tuesday, **December 5, at 7 p.m. we will be singing some Christmas carols** for the residents at Richfield Senior Living. Let Marilyn Swartz know if you can help sing.
5. Do you have a family member, co-worker, or neighbor who needs to know Christ? Come to our **monthly prayer night on Wednesday, December 6, at 7 p.m.** to learn how to pray for the lost and intercede for their souls.
6. **Children's Sunshine Group: Christmas Pizza Party** – December 8, 7-8:15 p.m. at Lost Creek. God gave His greatest gift to us – Jesus! Our Christmas party will include pizza, a painting party, devotions and gift exchange. Bring a candy gift creatively wrapped. Please RSVP to Linda 717-535-3886 or Judy 717-734-2122.
7. Did you mark your calendar for our **congregational meeting**, which has been **moved to December 13, 2017** (from January 2018)?
8. **Christmas caroling** will be the evening of December 17. Please sign up in the foyer.
9. **Candle light service – Friday evening, December 22, at 7 p.m.** Come and enjoy music, a program presented by our children's Sunday school, and the candle lighting.

**GOD MADE HIS HOME WITH US SO THAT WE
MIGHT MAKE OUR HOME WITH HIM.**

Happy Birthday to: Tonya Graybill on December 4

Trevor Brubaker on December 5

Upcoming Events

- ~Dec. 5 – Singing at Richfield Senior Living, 7 p.m.
- ~Dec. 6 – Monthly prayer night, 7 p.m.
- ~Dec. 8 – Sunshine Group, Christmas Party at Lost Creek
- ~**Dec. 13 – Congregational Meeting** (advanced from January 2018)
- ~Dec. 17 – Christmas Caroling
- ~Dec. 22 – Candlelight Service, 7 p.m.

Advent: Jesus Is Coming

Memory Verse:

Isaiah 9:6 *For to us a child is born, to us a son is given.*

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Hundreds of years before Jesus was born, Isaiah said Jesus would be born. He gave people hope. During Advent, we look forward to Jesus' birthday. How many candles are on His cake?





Power House of Prayer

O Lord God Almighty! Where is there anyone as mighty as you, Lord! Faithfulness is your very character. Psalm 89:8 (NLT)

Praise God for:

- *His provision in supplying our needs, and blessing us.
- *Shayne Heimbach's protection from serious injuries in a fall last week.
- *Our president who supports Godly values.

Pray for:

- *Joe Heeter family grieving his death last week.
- *Glenn and Rhonda as they seek God's direction for their future.
- *JMS Jamaica missions trip - those going and the funds needed.
- *Healing for Lloyd Gingrich's injuries from a fall this week.
- *Shawn Ranck training in Asia with the Edge program.
- *Full-time pastor for Lauvers.

Our next monthly prayer night is this Wednesday, December 6, at 7 p.m. We will be led by Marilyn Swartz in praying for unsaved and wayward loved ones.

Elvin Ranck is serving in the prayer room this morning.

Please give any praises or prayer requests to Marilyn Swartz by calling 463-3466 or via email at dmswartz77@gmail.com by Thursday evening.